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In re Application of

MUELLER, et al.

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) Examiner: B. Robinson

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 16, 2002, which sets a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response in the above-identified application, Applicants request that the Examiner reconsider the application in view of the following remarks. Applicants also submit herewith an Information Disclosure Statement that contains an authorization for charge of the required fee to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. It is believed that no additional fee is due. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 for any fee required for the Examiner to enter the Information Disclosure Statement and reconsider this application in view of the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

**The Office Action**

Claims 1-99 are pending. Claims 19-37 are believed to read on the elected species.

The Examiner has entered a new restriction requirement that asserts that claims 19-37 include more than a single invention.